C9PTGIL1 1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK 2 3 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 4 V. 11 CR 1083 (TPG) 5 JABAR GILLIAM, 6 Defendant. -----x 7 8 New York, N.Y. September 25, 2012 9 9:30 a.m. 10 Before: 11 HON. THOMAS P. GRIESA 12 District Judge 13 and a Jury 14 APPEARANCES 15 PREET BHARARA 16 United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York 17 BY: NATALIE LAMARQUE KRISTY J. GREENBERG 18 Assistant United States Attorneys 19 JOEL STEIN Attorney for Defendant 20 21 22 23 24 25

1 (In open court, jury not present)

THE COURT: Good morning. Let me explain about what my law clerk has given you. I do not have a written instruction which I read from, and therefore I do not have a written instructions to give to the jury. Some judges do what I'm talking about. I don't do that. I instruct the jury orally, and obviously the court reporter is taking the instruction down, and if the deliberation goes on long enough and the jury wants a copy of the minutes, they certainly can have that.

But what I do very often is give the jury a list in writing of the elements because they will hear that, but it's hard to remember. And therefore, I have given both sides the list of the elements as I intend to announce them, and I think I will just read these unless there's something more urgent to take care of before 10 o'clock. Is there anything?

MS. LAMARQUE: A quick point on the elements, your Honor. The first sentence is that the defendant knowingly harbored -- it should be "or transported," not "and."

THE COURT: We agreed last night to say "and."

MS. LAMARQUE: Your Honor, that means we have to prove both things, and that's simply not the law, it's not.

THE COURT: We agreed to have it in the conjunctive.

MS. LAMARQUE: Your Honor, the conjunctive increases the burden here and makes us prove both. I'm sorry if that's

1	what the Court's understanding was, but		
2	THE COURT: That's what you said.		
3	MS. LAMARQUE: I apologize if I misspoke, but your		
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5	THE COURT: I tell you this, I said this last night, I		
6	avoid alternatives as much as possible.		
7	Listen to me. I avoid alternative as much as		
8	possible, because every time you have an alternative, it is no		
9	necessarily so, but there's the potential of having to instruct		
10	the jury that they cannot find six find harbored and six find		
11	transported, they have to be unanimous on one. Now obviously		
12	that has to be done on the alternative basic charges, but so		
13	what do you suggest that I should instruct the jury?		
14	MS. LAMARQUE: All I'm asking, your Honor, is		
15	literally one change.		
16	THE COURT: How about what follow-up instruction?		
17	MS. LAMARQUE: There is no necessary follow-up		
18	instruction on that, your Honor, because it's just the first		
19	element that the defendant knowingly harbored or transported		
20	Jasmin. That's it. That's all I'm asking for.		
21	THE COURT: And you don't think there's any need for		
22	some explanatory instruction?		
23	MS. LAMARQUE: I do not, your Honor.		
24	THE COURT: OK. Mr. Stein, any comment?		

MR. STEIN: I'm just looking at the statute, Judge.

THE COURT: Well, the government is certainly right as far as how the statute reads, but the government is worried about this huge increase in their burden of proof.

MR. STEIN: I understand.

THE COURT: And the idea that their burden of proof has that increased because they will have to prove that both the defendant kept her in New York and transported her. My goodness. I wouldn't want to impose on the government in that way. But this is a ridiculous point. But if you want to change it in accordance with the statute, I will change it, but I will not give an instruction about they have to be unanimous on harbored or they have to be unanimous on transported, they can't be six for harbored and six for transported. I will not go into that.

MS. LAMARQUE: Yes, your Honor.

THE COURT: We'll make the change.

MS. LAMARQUE: Thank you.

THE COURT: Anything else?

MR. STEIN: Judge, just one substantive matter, I quess I call it housekeeping matter.

THE COURT: OK.

MR. STEIN: The one substantive matter is what I marked for identification as Defendant's Exhibit 2, which are excerpts from the St. Barnabas Hospital records that have been referred to during the trial. So I think we have some

agreement as to what is going to be allowed into evidence. And what I propose to do, if it's OK with the Court, is to read the parts of the hospital records that we agreed to, and the jury will understand that these are excerpts and not the entire record. And then later on, if the jury requests to see these sections of the records, I'll redact by blacking out the part of that particular page that we have agreed is not appropriate for the jury.

THE COURT: Or the transcript could be given, but the mechanics we'll work out.

MR. STEIN: That's the one point of substance.

The other point, Judge, of more housekeeping which is a personal presence on my part. I know your Honor likes to keep the shades open. I prefer -- and I will try and keep my voice up -- to be standing in front of the jury, and when this happened during my opening statement there's a glare from the windows and the jury -- I can't really make contact with them. So I would ask that we just pull the shades down at some point.

THE COURT: We'll do that.

MR. STEIN: Thank you.

THE COURT: A very good point. I think pulling the shades is OK without the drapes.

MR. STEIN: Yes. I don't want it dark, I just don't want a glare.

THE COURT: We'll close them before the jury comes in.

Good point.

MS. LAMARQUE: Your Honor, one point, I know it's not your practice to provide us with a copy of the charge, I just wanted to make sure that -- I wasn't clear, other than the elements, what sort of areas the Court was going to go into.

Just so I sort of follow along with our charge. I'm assuming at the end of the charge you will ask the parties if there is any objections or anything that needs to be added or what have you. If you could maybe -- because we don't have Live Note, so it's a little harder for us to follow where you're going, if that's OK.

THE COURT: OK, I get your point. The thing is you have got a lot of definitions in there that I think are unnecessary.

MS. LAMARQUE: Definitely operate under the more is more philosophy, which is not always the best one.

THE COURT: Well, I would intend to define what I think need to be defined, and I think there's very little that needs to be defined here. Force is force. Coercion is he coercion.

MS. LAMARQUE: I think coercion is one of the points, your Honor, for us that I think might need some definition.

THE COURT: Where do you find the definition of coercion?

MS. LAMARQUE: First it's defined in the statute, but

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we also defined it in the charge as well, and that's on page --1 THE COURT: Wait, let's get the statute open. 2 3 MS. LAMAROUE: 1591. 4 MR. STEIN: 1591(e)(2). 5 MS. LAMARQUE: 1591(e)(2) defines coercion. 6 THE COURT: Where in the statute? 7 MS. LAMARQUE: It's (e)(2), your Honor. Just because there is some stuff in there that is not fully obvious to 8 9 everyone, I think, especially the point about threats of harm. 10 I think of all the definitions in this statute, that's probably 11 the only good one, to be quite frank. It helps, I believe. 12 THE COURT: You mean (A), (2)(A)? 13 MR. STEIN: (e)(2)(A). 14 MS. LAMARQUE: Yes, your Honor. 15 This is exactly what we have quoted on page 11 of our 16 request to charge. We tried to take out all of the excess, 17 like your Honor does. 18 THE COURT: Well, it's certainly reasonable to ask the 19 definition of coercion in terms of (2)(A), and that's what 20 you're asking. 21 MS. LAMARQUE: Yes, your Honor. 22 THE COURT: Very good, I will do that. 23 MS. LAMARQUE: One last point, with regard to Count

Two, the transportation count, I just wanted to make sure that

the jury was going to be instructed that consent wasn't a

defense to the transportation count, that consent was not relevant as the case law and the statute.

THE COURT: I will so instruct the jury.

MS. LAMARQUE: Thank you so much.

THE COURT: So is the last point is consent is not a defense?

MR. STEIN: Judge, if we're talking about the transportation under Count Two.

THE COURT: We're talking about Count Two, yeah.

MR. STEIN: 18 USC 2423. I don't see anything in the statute about consent not being a defense.

MS. LAMARQUE: It's not statutorily explicitly stated, it's the case law that analyzed it, your Honor. It says in essence for the transportation count -- I can cite you the law, your Honor.

MR. STEIN: Judge, frankly, I think this issue is kind of a red herring, because no one — this is not a statutory rape case, this is a transportation case. So whether or not somebody consented to go to New York, whatever that means, is not part of what I understand the elements of this offense to be.

MS. LAMARQUE: If you go to page 27 of our charge, your Honor.

THE COURT: I just don't see any issue. It seems to me that consent could not be a defense because the crime is

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1	committed if someone knowingly transports. That's the crime.		
2	MS. LAMARQUE: I agree, your Honor.		
3	THE COURT: It seems to me the government is entitled		
4	to a clarifying instruction, which is consistent with the		
5	statute, that consent is not a defense.		
6	MR. STEIN: Judge, I object to that because I don't		
7	think it's relevant to this particular charge.		
8	THE COURT: Why not?		
9	MR. STEIN: Because it's not part of the statutory		
10	scheme. I think it's just irrelevant. To say that it's not a		
11	defense I think misses my point. My point is that it's not		
12	relevant to what the statute requires. And there's nothing in		
13	the 2423 which says anything one way or another about consent.		
14	He transported her for the purposes of commercial sex activity,		
15	and she was		
16	THE COURT: Well, listen I hear your objection. The		
17	objection is overruled and I will give that instruction.		
18	Are we ready for the jury?		
19	MR. STEIN: Could I just step out?		
20	THE COURT: As soon as you're all ready		
21	MS. LAMARQUE: We're ready, your Honor.		
22	THE COURT: I understand.		
23	MR. STEIN: Can I assume after Ms. Greenberg is		

finished we'll take a recess?

THE COURT: Of course.

My law clerk is handing out the revised list of 1 elements which has the alternative language requested by the 2 3 government, and that's certainly fine. Sorry, Judge, I didn't hear what you said. 4 MR. STEIN: 5 THE COURT: My law clerk has handed out the revised 6 list of elements which has the alternative language requested 7 by the government. These will be given to the jury before I instruct the 8 9 jury but not earlier than that. 10 MR. STEIN: Judge, I'm sorry, there's one other 11 It's probably not an issue, but I want to make sure. 12 At one point there was a meeting of various a/k/as in the 13 caption in the time. I would ask that that not be done at all 14 during the course of these proceedings, just Jabar Gilliam, not 15 a/k/a this, this and that. THE COURT: No reference to aliases. That's a good 16 17 point. MS. LAMARQUE: Agreed, your Honor. 18 THE COURT: And you understand I'm not going to read 19 20 the indictment to the jury or give the indictment to the jury. MR. STEIN: Yes, you said that yesterday. 21 22 THE COURT: All right. 23 Everyone is here, we'll bring in the jury and started. 24 You have your remaining proof, Mr. Stein? 25

MR. STEIN: Yes.

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1		THE COURT: Do you have your verdict sheet with you?
2		MS. LAMARQUE: Yes, sir.
3		THE COURT: We've got it.
4		MS. LAMARQUE: And the a/k/as were removed from the
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THE COURT: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. The defense has certain proof, and we'll proceed, Mr. Stein.

MR. STEIN: Judge, as part of Defendant's Exhibit 2,

I'm going to read to the jury excerpts from the medical records

from St. Barnabas Hospital from December -- starting from

December 2nd when Jasmin was taken there. So these are

excerpts and not the complete record, of course.

"No bruises found during PE," which I believe means physical examination.

A drug screen was performed on Jasmin based on a urine specimen, and the following results were provided: Cocaine, negative; opiates, negative; benzodiazepine, negative; THC, negative; barbiturates, negative.

A pain assessment was conducted, and among the observations were the pain location in the back and feet. The pain was observed to be acute. The pain was constant, it was described as stabbing.

THE COURT: I didn't hear, as what?

MR. STEIN: A stabbing-type pain.

And finally, the pain was precipitated by a factor referred to as "activity."

THE COURT: You said this, but again what's the date of these notes?

MR. STEIN: They began sometime in the evening of

December 2nd and carried into December 3rd, 2011.

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That's it, Judge. The defendant rests.

THE COURT: Now we'll have the summations. We have drawn the blind so that the lawyers can see you and you can see them without blinding glare. The government will proceed first.

MS. GREENBERG: This man, the defendant, Jabar Gilliam, trafficked a 16-year-old girl by bringing her from Maryland to New York to sell her for sex. The defendant preyed on a young girl with a profoundly sad past, a young girl who was the victim of molestation, parental abuse and neglect. A young girl who was diagnosed at a young age with bipolar disorder. A young girl who was for most of her life in and out of foster homes.

That is why the defendant chose her, because he knew that she was vulnerable. He was violent toward her. He was manipulative towards her. He was calculated in how he abused her. He saw her as his own personal property to use for one reason and one reason alone: To make money. And now you have the opportunity to hold him responsible for what he has done.

Now you heard the victim testify about how the defendant contacted the victim on Facebook knowing that she was in high school. He contacted her to work as a prostitute for him. She told the defendant about the negative experiences that she had had with men, and the defendant told the victim he

was taking her home to meet his mother. He complimented her, told her she was pretty. He had sex with her.

And he took a page out of his very own play book, as you see right here. Now this was under the page titled "Knocking." Defendant's own words, ladies and gentlemen: Sell to thy thy fantasy, for thy must feel that the best and only way is through you. The pitch equals the charm.

He sold her a fantasy that he was going to be her boyfriend and treat her with respect.

She also and wanted, as you heard, to be reunited with her mother in California. The defendant knew that the victim's mother had a drug problem and that she was a prostitute, and that Jasmin was living in Maryland and the victim's mother was living in California. He sold the victim a fantasy of a family reunion, that they were going to get a house together in California, and that he would reunite the victim with her mother there.

Ladies and gentlemen, it worked. The defendant lured the victim in, and she agreed to go to New York to prostitute with him.

But the defendant was not the victim's boyfriend. The defendant was not her Prince Charming. The defendant was a pimp. The defendant did not take the victim home to meet his mother for Sunday dinner, he took the victim to meet his mother so he could prostitute her. The defendant get a beautiful home

out in California for the three of them. Where did he bring the victim? He brought her to an apartment in the Bronx where he had a line up of men going into her bedroom to have sex with her.

He hit her. You heard that he had sex with her against her will. He threatened her and he threatened her younger sister. She believed his threats and she was scared of him. Ladies and gentlemen, this was no fairy tale. This was no fantasy. This was a nightmare.

And that is why we are here today. Defendant is charged with two counts. The first count is for trafficking

Jasmin for prostitution by force, fraud or coercion, or knowing that she was under the age of 18. Count Two charges the defendant with transporting Jasmin across state lines for purpose of prostitution.

Now let's get to the evidence. There are three things that are not in dispute in this case, three things that the parties are not arguing about. First, it is not in dispute that the victim was 16 years old when the defendant — at the time of the offense. Defense counsel told you that she was 16 in his opening. And you saw Government Exhibit 161, the victim's birth certificate shows that she was born in July of 1995 and she was 16 at the time the defendant was prostituting her.

Second, what's not in dispute is that the defendant

and the victim traveled by bus from Maryland to New York on December 1st, 2011. Defense counsel told you that in his opening, and the defendant admitted that in his post-arrest statement. Now if you look at Government Exhibit 15, you even saw the bus ticket to New York that the defendant had on him when he was arrested.

Third, the third thing that's not in dispute was the defendant was involved in selling women for sex. Defense counsel admitted this at the outset. He said the defendant was having conversations with various adult women about working for him as prostitutes. And ladies and gentlemen, he had to make that admission. He couldn't get away from the overwhelming evidence in this case that the defendant was a pimp. He couldn't get away from the text messages, he wouldn't get away from the photographs of provocatively dressed women in his cell phone, he couldn't get away from the rules, he couldn't get away from the handwritten notebook, his own play book.

So what is in dispute?

Let's start with Count Two. In order to prove the defendant guilty of Count Two, the government must establish three things: First, that the defendant knowingly transported the victim in interstate commerce. Now all that means is the defendant was crossing state lines with the victim.

The second thing we have to establish is that he did so with the intent that the victim would engage in

prostitution. All that means is he's crossing state lines to prostitute her.

And third, that the victim was under the age of 18 at the time. And as we stated, Jasmin was 16.

Now for Count Two and only for Count Two, the government does not have to prove that the defendant knew that the victim was under age 18. And whether or not the victim consented to being transported is irrelevant to this count.

So for Count Two, the only question that you have to answer is: Why? Why did the defendant and the victim get on that bus from Maryland to New York? Why?

The defendant didn't bring the victim to New York to have her see the sights of New York and take her to a Broadway show. You know why they got on that bus. They got on the bus so the victim could work as a prostitute for the defendant in New York and make him money. And you know that from the victim's testimony. You know that from the condoms and the lubricants. You know that from the rules. You know that from the photographs on his cell phone. You know that from the text messages. Ladies and gentlemen, the evidence is overwhelming.

Let's go through it now. So the victim in this case told you what happened. The defendant asked her to go to New York with him to work for him as a prostitute. They talked business. By "business," they meant prostitution. They talked about that for weeks leading up to their trip to New York.

They prepared for this trip. He gave her rules for prostituting in New York. He bought her clothes, clothes that she would wear to prostitute in New York. He made the travel arrangements. He paid for her bus ticket. She and the defendant took the bus from Maryland to New York so she could work for him there. And the victim worked for him there. She worked for him in New York as a prostitute for two full days before she was recovered and he was arrested.

Now you could rely on the victim's testimony alone and find the defendant guilty. But there is so much more here. Everything the victim told you about the defendant's intention to prostitute her is supported by the physical evidence, by the defendant's own words, and by the defendant's actions after he was arrested.

Where were the victim and the defendant found when the defendant was arrested? They were outside the very apartment where the defendant had been prostituting the victim earlier that day. And in that apartment, what did law enforcement find? They found the defendant's backpack and the victim's backpack loaded with evidence that she was prostituting.

Now looking at Government Exhibit 12, in the defendant's backpack, there were six condoms and lubricant.

Looking at Government Exhibits 28 and 29, in the minor victim's pocket, law enforcement found the same thing, eight condoms and 14 lubricant packets.

MS. GREENBERG: How else do you know that the defendant was prostituting the victim?

Let's look at Government Exhibit 26. These are the rules, the booklet that the defendant gave to the minor victim which she then later gave to law enforcement.

He told her to memorize these four rules -- and she did. You heard her on the stand without this book in front of her tell you what those rules were. He told her to bring these rules with her to New York.

You have seen these rules in black and white. What are the rules? The victim explained to you what they are, and your common sense tells you what they are. These are rules to avoid getting caught by law enforcement for prostitution.

Now, there is not a serious question as to where these rules came from. You saw Government Exhibit 14. And this is the small booklet that was found in the defendant's pocket at the time of his arrest. You saw that exhibit and you saw Government Exhibit 26. This was the booklet that the defendant gave to the minor victim that she then gave to law enforcement.

Look at these pages of the rules in each of these booklets side by side. Can you tell the difference between the booklet that was on the defendant and the booklet that the defendant gave to Jasmin and that she gave to law enforcement? You see in these two slides, the words are the same. The handwriting appears to be the same. And you can even see

misspellings that are the same in both of these booklets.

These rules are clear evidence that the defendant intended to

prostitute the victim in New York.

How else do you know that the defendant was prostituting the victim? The victim told you that the defendant bought her sexy clothes and shoes to prostitute her with in New York.

How do you know that is true? Let's look at Government Exhibit 35. Now, you saw this photograph with these clothes. You saw the purple and gray dress -- you cannot see it laid out here, but I am pointing to it. You saw the black high heeled, strappy shoes and you saw the pink bra.

Now, ladies and gentlemen, that's all she had.

Remember, she was traveling with the defendant on December 1,

2011. Where are her sweaters? Where are her sweatshirts? She didn't pack those things because she packed her clothes to go prostitute for the defendant. That's what she was going to New York to do.

Now, another piece of physical evidence that the defendant simply cannot explain away are the sexual photographs of the defendant on the defendant's cell phone. How did these photographs get there? The victim told you that the defendant took those photographs of her on his cell phone.

And look at these photographs. Let's talk about these photographs. In these photographs she is wearing a purple and

green dress. She is wearing fishnet stockings and revealing her legs. In one of the photographs Government Exhibit 42, you see she is lying down.

The victim described these photographs to you, and the victim told you that these photographs were taken over the weekend that she was in New York with the defendant. And Special Agent Conolly told you that when he went through the phone dump on the defendant's phone, that these photographs were taken over that same weekend on December 2.

Also, you have seen this purple and gray dress, once again, in the defendant's belongings. Purple and gray dress that she is wearing in the photographs was in her belongings, as you can see from Government Exhibits 35 and 42.

And more importantly, why did the defendant have these photographs in his cell phone? Why didn't the defendant photograph the victim's face? The victim told you why, because the defendant and his brother Harry were going to post these photos on Backpage. They were going to put these photos on an advertisement for her sexual services. And the reason they didn't put her face on the photos was that they didn't want the victim to be identified.

Where have you seen a reference to Backpage in this case? Well, you have seen it from the defendant's own notebook. Look at Government Exhibit 13 and Government Exhibit 14, the defendant's own notebook and the booklet found on him.

In both of those he references backpage.com.

Look at Government Exhibit 76, and these are the text messages between the defendant and the victim's mother. Look down to line 162, and this is a message from the defendant to the victim's mother on December 2nd: Your profile info is on what page? I need to copy it down so that I can put it on Backpage.

Now, you saw again, what is he doing? When he wants to advertise the victim's mother for prostitution, he wants to do it on Backpage. This is, again, consistent with Jasmin's testimony.

You also see Government Exhibit 77. These are text messages between the defendant and Toni. If you look at line 56, defendant tells Toni that, I'm about to set things up for you. I need a few sexy lingerie pics to get started.

You can see line 104, he is asking her for the photographs: I can't complete your page without them.

Again, what is he saying here? The defendant is saying to Toni, send me these sexy lingerie pics. I need them so I can make a page for you, I can make an advertisement for your sexual services.

Now, as the defendant conceded, he prostitutes adult women, but the evidence shows that he prostituted the minor victim too. When you look at these conversations between the defendant and adult women, the clear purpose of them is to

prostitute them. So when you see and hear the defendant having the same kind of discussions about the minor victim, what

the same kind of discussions about the minor victim, what conclusion must you draw? You must conclude that he did so for

the same purpose, to prostitute her.

Let's look at Government Exhibit 85. Look at this message from the defendant to the victim's mother. Are you going to send the pics? I want to have the both you when it's all said and done as my luv.

Who does he mean by both? He means the victim and her mother.

What does he want them for? He wants them both to be prostitutes for him.

Now, the defendant and the victim's mother continued their conversation. So what else did the defendant say to the victim's mother?

Looking still on Government Exhibit 76, he tells her in line 159: Your daughter wants to be first in line, but you know as well as I that can't happen.

Now, this message is important because it reveals that the defendant and the victim had a conversation about Jasmin being a prostitute. They discussed her being first in line.

She wanted to be first in line. He didn't want her to. Why?

Look at the next message at 160. The defendant tells the victim's mother: I want you as my number 1. That position belongs to the one who is experienced and capable of leading

the flock.

Let's focus on the last word, "flock." What is a flock? A flock is a group, more than one person. The defendant wanted as many prostitutes as he could get so that he could make as much money as he could, and he clearly wanted Jasmin as one of his prostitutes.

The defendant has conceded that these discussions with the victim's mother and Toni were about prostitution. He can't get away from the clear meaning of these text messages about prostitution of the minor victim too.

In addition to testimony and physical evidence, the defendant's behavior at the time of his arrest shows you his intent to prostitute the victim. When he was caught red-handed by law enforcement with a 16-year-old girl in front of the very apartment where he was prostituting her, what does he do? He runs.

You heard from NYPD Detective Sean Ryan that he was trying to handcuff the defendant when the defendant lunged into another apartment, and he hurt Detective Ryan's foot which got caught underneath the door. Defendant ran from police and he injured a police officer in the process. Why did he run?

Well, the defendant told Special Agent Conolly that it was just instinct. But is that true? Is that what happened?

He didn't run as soon as police announced themselves. No, he waited. He waited until he realized the police were on to him.

He saw the police take the 16-year-old girl down the hall, pulling her away from him. He knew that they were on to him at that point for prostituting her, and so he ran because he knew he had gotten caught for bringing the victim across state lines to prostitute her.

How else do you know the defendant's intent? Special Agent Conolly testified about the defendant's post arrest statement. And now you have seen the evidence to know that his statement was full of lies.

What was the first thing the defendant stated to Special Agent Conolly in his post arrest statement? I didn't cross state lines with her. Why did he begin there? Because he knew he was cooked. He knew that once he crossed state lines with a minor, that made his crime a federal crime, and the defendant then desperately tried to cover his tracks.

First, he said he didn't know the victim's name. Of course, you know that's not true. He knew her name. The victim told you so. And you have seen it in the evidence.

Look at Government Exhibit 45. This is the contact list from the defendant's cell phone. You can see two entries there under the name Jazzy. Jasmin told you they were for her. One was for her foster home, one was for her cell phone for her foster home.

You can also see in the defendant's text message, he explicitly refers to Jasmin by her name. This is a text

message from the defendant to the victim's mother: I just spoke to your child Jasmin.

Next, the defendant said that he met the victim the night before his arrest out on the street in New York. Of course we know that to be false. The defendant has now admitted that he traveled from Maryland to New York with the victim and that they were staying together in the very apartment where she was being prostituted.

Ladies and gentlemen, the evidence is clear. It is uncontroverted and it is devastating. It is crystal clear that the defendant is guilty of bringing Jasmin to New York for the purpose of prostituting her which makes him guilty of Count 2.

Now, let's turn to Count 1. For Count 1, the government has to prove three elements beyond a reasonable doubt. The first element requires us to show that the defendant knowingly harbored or transported the victim in or affecting interstate commerce. So all harbored means is, he gave her a place to stay, and all transported means is defendant crossed state lines with her.

Now, for the second element, there are two alternative ways in which you can prove this element. The first way is if the defendant knew or recklessly disregarded Jasmin was under 18 years old and that she would be caused to prostitute. So all that means is the defendant knew or he had enough facts to make obvious and just chose to ignore Jasmin was under 18 when

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The second way is for us to show that the defendant knew that force, fraud or coercion would be used to cause Jasmin to prostitute.

Now, the third element of Count 1 is for the government to prove that the defendant's actions were in or affecting interstate commerce. And here you know the defendant crossed state lines.

So for Count 1, there are really two issues that are in dispute and those are as to the second element: First, whether the defendant knew or ignored facts that clearly showed that the victim was under age 18; and, second, whether the defendant knew that force, fraud or coercion would be used to cause the victim to prostitute.

So let's start with the first regarding her age.

Ladies and gentlemen, you have seen in black and white that the defendant was explicitly told Jasmin's age. Look at Government Exhibit 76, line 57. This is a text message from the victim's mother to the defendant: She is 16.

Now, I want you to note a few things about this. date, November 30, 2011. The time was 3:35. They had not gotten on the bus yet. The message indicates that it was read. And you will see the next message, line 58 shows you that soon after, within seconds -- I'm sorry -- line 59, within a few minutes, the defendant then responded to the victim's mother's

message. So he read the message that she was 16 and he responded to it. And all of this happened before he got on that bus with her.

In addition, there are still other text messages from the defendant to the victim's mother in which the defendant refers to the victim as child or young un.

Beyond the physical evidence, you have the victim's testimony. The victim testified that she initially told the defendant that she was 17 and that she was in high school. Well, ladies and gentlemen, 17 is still under 18.

And if you recall, the defendant began communicating with the victim on Facebook, and on Facebook it said that she was in high school. She was actually enrolled at Walt Whitman High School. That is what was on her Facebook. That is more clear evidence that the defendant was fully aware the victim was a minor.

Turning to the next point in dispute, was fraud used to get the victim to prostitute? Was the minor victim forced to prostitute for the defendant, or was she coerced into prostituting for the defendant?

We don't have to prove all three -- any of those methods. If you find evidence of any of those methods, you can find him guilty of this element.

Now, ladies and gentlemen, you saw Government Exhibit

13. This is the defendant's handwritten playbook. We went

through this together. You heard the defendant's words loud and clear. You heard his code. And you know from the evidence in this case that he followed his code to the letter.

First, the defendant used fraud to get the victim to prostitute for him.

Let's look back at the slide we looked at earlier entitled "knocking." Sell to thy fantasy for thy must feel that the best and only way is through you. The pitch equals the charm.

That's exactly how the defendant used fraud to get the victim to prostitute for him by selling her a fantasy. As I discussed earlier, the defendant sold the victim a fantasy of reuniting with her mother in California, that they were all getting a house together. The defendant sold the idea of a family reunion when in fact he was trying to prostitute her mother. Ladies and gentlemen, that is fraud.

Second, the defendant used force to prostitute the victim. In the defendant's own words from his playbook, looking at the title of his playbook listed "Leash:" Thy self hate is the leash around thy neck and thy insecurities are like handcuffs. You must find thy leash and yank to your leisure, to your benefit. Find the keys to unlock the handcuffs when thy is in your presence and lock them back when thy leaves. The subconscious message to thy brain should be, he has the power to bring pain and pleasure when you please.

Ladies and gentlemen, the defendant's own words talk about inflicting pain. The defendant inflicted pain in a variety of ways in order to keep her weak, to keep her afraid and to keep her working for him.

The victim told you about three incidents where the defendant hit her.

Ladies and gentlemen, you saw the victim's demeanor when she testified about these incidents. Talking about those incidents was not easy for her, but she did it. And she provided you with the details each time, where the defendant hit her, how hard he hit her, how she reacted.

The first time the defendant hit her was in Maryland at Timmy's house. She told you that she got into the middle of an argument between the defendant and Timmy about her going to school, and she said that the defendant got angry and he hit her.

The second time the defendant hit the victim was in the face. This happened also in Maryland outside the Spanish Bar. She told you that she had to get a Band-Aid for her face after he hit her.

The third time that the defendant hit the victim was at the subway station, the morning that they arrived in New York. She told you about how she confronted the defendant with text messages and photographs which she had found in his phone when she was looking though his phone on the bus ride up to New

York.

These text messages and these photographs were of her mother. The photographs were provocatively dressed women, including her mother, and the text messages were about the defendant prostituting the victim's mother.

When the victim confronted the defendant with those text messages and with those photographs, what did he do? She told you he choked her and he punched her. She told you that she fell to the ground and that people walking by reacted and asked her if she was OK.

Ladies and gentlemen, these are clear examples of the defendant's use of force against the victim.

In addition to being hit, the victim also testified about two incidents where she had been forced to have sex with the defendant.

Now, you heard the victim has been a victim of past sexual abuse at a very young age. And once again you saw how difficult it was for her to testify about those incidents, but she did it because she wanted to tell you what the defendant did to her. She wanted you to understand how afraid she was of him.

During the first sexual assault that happened in Maryland, the victim told you about the motel. She told you that the music was playing, that the defendant had sex with her and she kept saying no.

During the second sexual assault that happened in New York, the victim told you that the defendant and his mother had given her drugs. The defendant had sex with her and, again, she told him no. The defendant called the victim a bitch. He called her a whore.

Again, those sexual assaults are clear examples of the defendant using force against the victim to get her to prostitute for him.

Finally, the defendant used coercion in the form of threats and intimidation to cause the victim to prostitute for him.

Now, let's look back at the defendant's playbook.

This is the page entitled "Leash." They are driven by their insecurities. Find them out and use them against them.

Now, again, you have heard about the victim's own insecurities and vulnerabilities.

You have heard about her victimization in the past.

You have heard she has been in and out of foster care and has bipolar disorder.

You have heard she ran away, and you have heard she worked as a prostitute.

The victim's vulnerability made her the perfect victim for this defendant. The defendant wasn't targeting the high school student on her way to an ivy league school; he was targeting the girl who had a troubled life.

The defendant used the victim's insecurities to keep control of her, just as his playbook said.

Now, the victim told you that the defendant threatened to prostitute her younger sister if she would not prostitute for him. Her younger sister also lived in Maryland.

The victim told you that once the defendant started abusing her, she became afraid and she didn't want to live in New York with him anymore. The first time that the victim told the defendant that she didn't want to go to New York anymore was over the phone. The second time, the victim tried to get out was when she was on the bus before it got to New York, before it started going. The victim told you that when she was on the bus, she felt nervous about what was going to happen in New York. She told the defendant she wanted to leave. Both times, the defendant threatened her younger sister. He told her, if she didn't go to New York with him, that he would prostitute her younger sister instead.

When he was on the bus, what did he do? He made her sit on the inside of the bus and he put his leg up over her leg so she couldn't get out.

Now, why did the defendant's threats work on the victim? You heard that the victim doesn't have a father and that her mother lost custody of her. So when the defendant threatened her younger sister, that meant something to the victim. Just as the code says to do, the defendant used the

victim's feelings for her sister like handcuffs. Ladies and gentlemen, this is coercion.

Ladies and gentlemen, the defendant didn't use locks and he didn't use chains, but make no mistake, he kept the victim in a virtual prison. When the defendant hit her, when he had sex with her against her will, when he threatened her and her younger sister and when he called her vile names, all of those incidents left the victim too afraid to disobey the defendant.

And so the victim followed the defendant's rules and the defendant continued to follow his playbook. For example, looking at the paper entitled "M Will" in the defendant's playbook: Never let thy touch, kiss or ask questions, most importantly, allow thy to ever make eye contact.

The victim testified that the defendant told her not to make eye contact with others. The defendant was always close by and within eyesight when she was walking on the street.

The defendant's actions were calculated to keep her, as he said in his playbook, completely dependent and obedient. Thy's now the body and you the oxygen and the lifeline.

Ladies and gentlemen, these rules are clear and further evidence of coercion.

Finally, the defendant's code called for isolating the victim. He talked about beginning to pull thy away from that

which thy loves and, most importantly, that which loves her. 1 This act will kill her spirit until she feels it's worthless. 2 3 "Break." What does he mean by break? He means breaking her. Once that is done, he will gain sole control 4 5 over her and she will become his property. 6 Ladies and gentlemen, that is exactly what the 7 defendant set out to do here. 8 Ladies and gentlemen, at the beginning of this trial I 9 asked you to use your common sense. And now as you get ready 10 to listen to defense counsel, I ask you again to do the same 11 thing. If you do that, you will return the only verdict that is consistent with the evidence and that is consistent with the 12 13 truth, that the defendant is quilty of both counts. 14 Thank you. 15 THE COURT: Are you ready to go, Mr. Stein, or would 16 you like a break? 17 MR. STEIN: I would like a brief break. 18 THE COURT: We will take a short recess. 19 (Recess) 20 Judge, before we proceed, could we have a MR. STEIN: 21 sidebar? 22 THE COURT: Sure. 23 (At the sidebar) 24 MR. STEIN: Judge, I don't like to interrupt my 25 adversary's summation, so I wanted to put something on the

record.

During Ms. Greenberg's summation, I don't remember it specifically what she was referring to, but she made a reference to the uncontroverted evidence. I object to that because it suggests in some way that there is some burden that I have to disprove or controvert some evidence of the government, so I object to her use of that term and I ask that

you give a curative instruction to the jury to that effect.

MS. GREENBERG: Your Honor, by saying that it is uncontroverted doesn't mean that the defense has not objected to it or doesn't have a defense; it means that the evidence speaks for itself, that it is clear.

MR. STEIN: That is nice to know, but that is not what you said.

THE COURT: It isn't that you sat silent. You cross-examined, and you have introduced documents. The jury will be instructed on the burden of proof, but I think it is perfectly proper to say uncontroverted.

MR. STEIN: I disagree.

THE COURT: You disagree.

MR. STEIN: That often happens.

I just ask that you make a curative instruction to that effect.

THE COURT: I will certainly talk to them about the burden of proof, but not specifically on that point. OK.

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MR. STEIN: May I proceed, your Honor?

THE COURT: Please do.

MR. STEIN: Members of the jury, Judge Griesa and members of the prosecution team --

THE COURT: Since you are not speaking into a microphone, please keep your voice up. I want to hear you.

MR. STEIN: OK. I appreciate that. I will take it as a compliment.

Sometime last week -- which doesn't seem like a long time ago -- but sometime last week during the course of my opening statement to you, I made certain comments. And it is not that that part of the process was some abstract statement at that time, but it was intended as a table of contents to tell you, ladies and gentlemen, what I expect the evidence in this case will show.

And I made some comments about what kind of case this is. I told you that this was going to be an ugly case. It is an ugly case no matter how you define that term. This is it.

But in spite of that, it is my privilege to represent Jabar Gilliam because, in the context of a criminal proceeding, which this obviously is, it is especially important in difficult cases such as this to be able to represent someone as effectively as I can when the United States Government is making charges against an individual, my client Jabar Gilliam.

Now, I don't say this as some abstract concept in a civics class and, indeed, this is not TV. It is not CSI. It is not Law & Order where everything is neatly wrapped into 50 minutes of programming. This is a real case involving real people.

I also said to you in my opening statement that there is really only one thing that you have to do in the performance of your duties as jurors in this case, and that is, to objectively evaluate the credible evidence or the lack of credible evidence.

And Ms. Greenberg is correct that in my opening statement, I did say that there were certain things that would not be in dispute, and I stand by those concessions.

I am not disputing that Jasmin is 16 years old.

I am not disputing that she traveled with my client from Maryland to New York.

And I am not disputing that he had very explicit conversations, text messages, photographs, which demonstrated that he was involved with adult women as prostitutes.

But what I do dispute, as I said to you in my opening statement, is whether or not Mr. Gilliam caused Jasmin to do this. And what I finally said to you in my opening statement is that, much of what she said, if not all of it, is either unsupported by other proof or, indeed, contradicted by the lack of proof.

Now, you may sit here, ladies and gentlemen, and after having listened to the evidence in this case, morally condemn Jabar Gilliam for who he is. I could understand that, and I can accept that, but what I cannot accept is that you convict him based upon the credible evidence or lack of credible evidence which does not prove him guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

I listened to Ms. Greenberg's excellent summation. I don't remember her using that term "beyond a reasonable doubt."

I am sure Judge Griesa will instruct you on that and explain to you what those terms mean.

Now, as Mr. Gilliam sits here, right now, no matter what you thought about the evidence in this case, he is presumed innocent. That is not an abstract concept. And he is presumed innocent unless and until the government has proved him beyond a reasonable doubt, based on your unanimous determination.

When you go into the jury room, you are going to get a sheet of paper. It is called a verdict sheet. There is nothing magical about it. It says on it, "guilty" or "not guilty." It doesn't say "guilty" or "innocent." And that is not a semantic distinction. It is not lawyer speak. It captures what the issue is in any criminal trial in this country, and that is whether or not the government has proved the charges against a defendant based on proof beyond a

reasonable doubt.

Ms. Greenberg refers not by name, mostly, to Jasmin as the victim in this case. Now, I would agree that in a lot of ways she is a victim. She is a victim of her own life, and it was sad to listen to what has happened to such a young woman, but that's her life. And she certainly has been victimized in any meaningful way by her personal experiences leading up to December of 2011.

The question is whether or not she was victimized by my client. It is not a label, victim. It is not some way to somehow not recognize who she is.

And I'm not here to condemn her for what her past life was. I am here to try to discredit her.

And the judge will tell you, no matter how sympathetic you may be as fellow human beings to listening to her life story and as difficult as this may be, it is not mental gymnastics. You have to try to put aside sympathy for her, which is understandable, to say the least, and decide this case objectively based upon the evidence or the lack of evidence.

I suggest to you, ladies and gentlemen, that although Judge Griesa's instructions are extremely important because he is going to tell you what the law is that you must apply in deciding this case, you can ask yourselves a very simple question. And that is, if this was a very important decision in your own personal lives, would you rely on Jasmin's word in

making that decision for yourselves? My client is entitled to the same consideration. Would you rely on her word if this was an important personal decision in your own lives?

Ladies and gentlemen, based on what you have heard, to ask the question is to answer it.

Now, I didn't hear Ms. Greenberg refer -- and I was trying to pay close attention -- to anything about her activities as a prostitute. She is going to have a rebuttal or an opportunity to address you further after I finish with my comments -- maybe she is saving it for then, but I certainly didn't hear any reference to her previous activities as a prostitute, previous before she met my client, or afterwards.

Now, the significance of that is, you are going to hear, through Judge Griesa's instructions -- I don't mean to de-emphasize everything else that he is going to tell you because it is all important -- but he is going to tell you that, in order to find my client guilty, you have to find beyond a reasonable doubt that he, Mr. Gilliam, caused her to do this. He caused her to do it, according to the government, by force, threats, coercion, or fraud.

Now, you have to put her testimony about what happened on December 1st and December 2nd in context of everything else that she told you she did, which I don't believe Ms. Greenberg discussed in any way. She, unfortunately, as sad as it is, was a prostitute from the time that she was 14 years old. She was

C9PUGIL2 Summation - Mr. Stein a prostitute on her own, as she told you, in Hagerstown, 1 Maryland. At times before she met my client, she was a 2 3 prostitute working for a pimp named Timothy. She met my client. I will get into the evidence about 4 5 what happened after that. But after he was arrested on the 6 evening of December 2nd at about 6:30 p.m., when he was in 7 custody as Agent Brian Conolly told you, he was in custody from December 2nd in the evening afterwards and was certainly in 8 9 custody on December 6th. 10 Jasmin went to a shelter where she met two other 11 girls, one of whom was named Ashley. She left the shelter 12 13 14 Did my client cause her to do that? 15 Did he cause her to do that before he ever met her? 16

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without permission, went to another location in the Bronx and had sexual relations with roughly half a dozen men.

You have to put her life story in context in

Maybe, ladies and gentlemen -- and it is up to you to decide this -- maybe she just did all of this because, as she told you, when she doesn't have her medication for her bipolar illness, she is impulsive.

evaluating what happened on December 1st and December 2nd.

Now, why did my client come to New York from Maryland with Jasmin? It is a fair question. Ms. Greenberg discussed it with you herself. She told you, she came to see her mother.

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illusion, one that is not based in any reality whatsoever because of their previous history, but she didn't come with him for him to prostitute her. It may be an illusion on her part. That is understandable, given the nature of her history with her mother, but that's what she said.

Now, I would like to talk to you about the evidence in this case because, after all, that is what is important.

You have Jasmin's testimony, and then as I said to you in my opening statement, that you have to consider her testimony and whether it is supported or contradicted by other evidence in this case or the lack of evidence.

Now, I'm talking about physical evidence. Physical evidence doesn't have a bias. It doesn't have a motive. It is not subject to human frailty that we all have and, boy, does Jasmin have them. Physical evidence.

Now, the government -- and Ms. Greenberg may talk about this in her next part of her summation -- cannot attempt to explain away the absence of this important evidence because nobody in the police department or the FBI made any attempt to look for it. And for you to accept that, ladies and gentlemen, is for the government to put blinders on you so you can't see the rest of the picture in this case.

Now, it is correct that the government doesn't have to use any particular investigative technique to try to look for or to locate evidence, but they have to prove my client is

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quilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

Where is the objective, reliable physical or scientific evidence in this case to support Jasmin's testimony?

It contradicts her in many respects.

You heard some testimony from Jasmin, during the course of these events, she consumed some drugs. You heard her say that she took a puff or a tug on a marijuana weed or a marijuana roll, I think she called it. And you heard her say at some point that she took some pills as a result of which she fell asleep and, according to her, while she was asleep my client was having sexual intercourse with her.

This morning, I read to you an excerpt from the St.

Barnabas Hospital records where the hospital administered a

drug screen to the urine specimen that Jasmin had provided.

What did it find? Nothing, not a drug in her system, in spite

of the fact that, according to her, she had consumed what,

presumably, are illegal substances — no drugs in her system.

Nothing to support her testimony that she was given drugs,

indeed, the hospital record objectively contradicts her

testimony.

There were no injuries in this case.

You heard Brian Conolly testify -- and I am not suggesting to you that he intentionally embellished his testimony about injuries or lack of injuries, but at one point he said there weren't any significant injuries. There were no

injuries. The hospital records, which I read to you from this
morning said that she had no visible bruises.

There is a photo of Jasmin -- not the ones obviously where you can only see her from the neck down, I am not disputing that those are photographs of her, but there is a photograph of her. And a few days or a day or so before she left to go to New York from Maryland, she had been struck above her left eye. She indicated where it was that she was struck. There is just simply no evidence whatsoever that she was ever beaten or struck in the hospital records, in the photograph.

Brian Conolly's testimony, he admitted that there were no injuries -- not that there were no significant injuries, but there were no injuries.

There is no biological evidence whatsoever to support Jasmin's testimony.

You heard that she had sexual relations with a number of people over the course of several days. And what proof is there to support scientifically that she had sexual relations with these men? You heard that she had sexual relations with four or five men on a bare mattress in the apartment at 747 East 168th Street.

Presumably, if that were true, there would be uncontrovertible physical and scientific evidence of that fact.

There would be, presumably, some evidence of semen stains in the mattress or on the mattress from which you could

1	scientifically analyze for DNA.
2	No used condoms.
3	No pubic hairs.
4	Nothing that, from our own experiences, we would know
5	that there would be or could be such evidence, but they didn't
6	bother looking for it.
7	You heard that when my client was arrested and Jasmin
8	was there and there's a lot of testimony about her clothing
9	and her belongings did they take her underwear? She had had
10	sexual relations over the course of several days, which we may
11	know that there would be or could be some biological evidence
12	of her sexual activity.
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MR. STEIN: She testified that my client had sexual relations with her on I believe two occasions. Did they take his underwear to see whether there was any semen stain from any discharge that happens after a male has had sexual relationships? There's none of that, ladies and gentlemen, evidence, if anybody bothered to look for it. The whole police department, there's ten or twelve cops up there when my client was arrested, nobody bothered to look.

You heard a lot of testimony about an advertisement, and I suggest to you that Jasmin tried to fudge this during her testimony, but when she was confronted about what she previously told the FBI about the advertisement, she was confronted with what she had said back on December 2nd or December 3rd when she was first interviewed by the police department and the FBI. There is no advertisement. There's nothing to prove that this was ever done at all.

And what proof would there be? You heard Jasmin testify there would be an advertisement under the name Angel Luv. Do you remember I asked Brian Conolly some questions about that when he attempted to find any evidence of any advertisement at Backpage? No Angel Luv, no photographs from the head down from Backpage, no telephone number attributed to my client. I admit that it's his phone number beginning with the area code 301. There's none of that, nothing to support her testimony about an advertisement.

They went to Harry Gilliam's apartment in Brooklyn, and Jasmin testified that this advertisement for her services was going to be -- an advertisement was going to be created and a web page posted on Backstage. Now she tried to say -- and this is where I suggest that she fudged it -- she tried to say there really wasn't any advertisement, there was some discussion about it. But you heard her testify when she was confronted with her previous statement to the government that she observed -- it's not a complicated word -- observed the advertisement being posted on a web page for Backpage.

Did they go to Harry Gilliam's apartment with a search warrant -- they certainly know how to get search warrants, they have done it in this case -- to see his computer to see whether any of this was even stored in his computer, even if it was never actually posted on Backpage's web site? There's none of that, nothing to support her testimony about this.

This was all for money. This was all for money.

Where's the money? To paraphrase a very old cliché, which
lawyers should probably not do but it's sort of irresistible:

Where's the proof? There's no money in this case, ladies and gentlemen. From what she testified to, there was several hundred dollars or so that was generated. No money.

Two MetroCards that you heard testimony about, and you all know, from those of you who use the subway system, you saw it on the screen, the MetroCards. She said that she went to

Brooklyn with my client twice on the subway card and he swiped		
a MetroCard each time. And you heard Brian Conolly testify		
he wasn't that knowledgeable about it, but I suggest to you		
that black strip has computerized information on it which would		
tell whether or not someone went somewhere on the subway		
system. They can download his phone and they can download the		
information, if there is any, on the MetroCard black strips.		
So there's no analysis from those two items, the two		
MetroCards, to support her testimony.		
Now you heard a lot of testimony about Jasmin's		

Now you heard a lot of testimony about Jasmin's allergy to latex, and you know that the condoms -- I think Brian Conolly testified at one point that the condoms are made of latex. Now an allergy is not something that you can turn on and off like a switch. It just happens. Your body reacts if you're exposed to something that you're allergic to.

At one point Jasmin was asked on cross-examination the following questions:

"Q. Do you have an allergy?

That's page 304, starting at line 14.

- "Q. Do you have an allergy?
- 21 | "A. Yes.
- 22 | "Q. And do you have an allergy to latex?
- 23 "A. Yes.
 - "Q. As a matter of fact, isn't it correct that after you were at the shelter for one night or so and you went AWOL with the

- 1 | two girls, one of whom was Ashley --
- 2 | "A. Yes.
- 3 | "Q. -- and had sex with a number of individuals at Jay's
- 4 | apartment --
- 5 | "A. Yes.
- 6 | "Q. -- you had an allergic reaction?
- 7 | "A. Yes.
- 8 | "Q. As a matter of fact, it was a federal agent who gave you
- 9 an antihistamine called Benadryl to counteract an allergic
- 10 | reaction, correct?
- 11 "A. Yes.
- 12 | "Q. And the allergic reaction you had to the latex and the
- 13 condoms or what?
- 14 | "A. Latex.
- 15 | "Q. What physically did you experience by way of an allergic
- 16 reaction from the latex in the condoms?
- 17 "A. I had bumps.
- 18 "Q. Where were the bumps?
- 19 | "A. Like near my thigh area, it was like a rash.
- 20 | "O. Like a rash?
- 21 | "A. Yes."
- 22 So that's what she testified to that she had as a
- 23 | result of having multiple sexual encounters with various men
- 24 | when my client was in custody on December 6 after Jasmin went
- 25 AWOL from the shelter where she had been staying with these two

1 other girls.

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Then at page 335, line 19:

- "Q. When you went to St. Barnabas Hospital, you had had sexual relations at that point with a number of people, correct?
 - "A. Yes, sir.
- 6 | "Q. And a number of them had been wearing condoms, correct?
- 7 "A. Yes, sir.
- 8 "Q. And when you went to St. Barnabas Hospital, isn't it true 9 that you did not have any allergic reaction to latex?
- 10 | "A. Yes.
 - "Q. Even though you had had sex with men wearing condoms on a number of occasions before you went to the hospital, correct?

 "A. Yes."

Then she backtracked when she was asked later on at page 343. And ladies and gentlemen, as Judge Griesa will tell you, you can have any of this read back to you at any course during your deliberations. When she was asked about this further on cross-examination, she changed what she had testified to under oath in response to questions that I suggest to you were pretty clear, and she gave categorical answers, which is that she had no allergic reaction when -- she had had no allergic reaction when she went to St. Barnabas Hospital after my client was arrested.

And she testified, when she was asked further about this, yes, she did have an allergic reaction, and the agent

gave her Benadryl on that occasion also. That's at page 343 of the transcript.

So she contradicted herself about having an allergic reaction. The point is this is not something like a light switch that you turn on and off. You react or you don't. She testified unequivocally when she was first asked about this before the lunch break that she did not have an allergic reaction after having sex with multiple men using latex condoms, and then after lunch when she was asked again, she flip-flopped.

Now you heard testimony about Facebook, and you heard Jasmin describe her Facebook. I won't repeat what she said her interests were, I'm sure that those words resonated with you, ladies and gentlemen, resonated.

But when she was asked about having reviewed her

Facebook page after she had had, according to her, various

Facebook exchanges, if that's the right term, with my client

before she went to New York from Maryland, she testified that

after having looked at her Facebook page, there was nothing on

there about — there were no conversations back and forth on

Facebook with Jabar Gilliam before they went to New York on the

early morning hours of December 1st.

Jasmin was asked -- wasn't a big point, but it did come up -- about surveillance camera. And she said in New York there's surveillance cameras everywhere. That's a fact of life

today. And she testified on at least one occasion or one of the buildings she actually did see surveillance cameras. If my client was going into the building on East 168th Street over the course of time with various customers of Jasmin, those would have been recorded on surveillance cameras that are ever present in New York City. Did anybody bother looking for this to find objective inconvertible proof? No.

I suggest to you you should take this in consideration, ladies and gentlemen, in deciding whether or not you can find my client guilty beyond a reasonable doubt based on Jasmin's testimony. And you have to ask yourself, as I ask you to do, again, would you trust her word if there was an important personal decision in your lives that affected you seriously? Would you trust her word in making a judgment about something that is important to you? Again, to ask the question is to answer it.

Now there's a lot of testimony about the notebooks, there's a lot of testimony about the text messages. I don't dispute that those were his notebooks, those were his text messages, but it proves who he is. He's a pimp. There's no getting away from it. There's no denying it. It's an ugly word, but sometime it's an ugly world. And he had very explicit conversations with Jasmin's mother and with a woman named Toni, and you saw the pictures as well.

There was also a lot of testimony or some testimony

about my client's contact list, and there was several phone numbers for Jasmin under the name Jazzy in his phone contact list. I don't dispute that. They did come to know each other. They talked with each other. They went to New York together.

And you heard some testimony which Ms. Greenberg referred to in her summation about my client's statements to the police — to the FBI, rather, when he got arrested. He did equivocate, if I could use that word. If you want to say that he lied, OK. He equivocated initially. But when it came down to the magic question, "Did Jasmin prostitute for you," he didn't equivocate, he said no.

Lastly, ladies and gentlemen, you heard testimony about a struggle when Mr. Gilliam was being arrested and Jasmin was there, and you heard agent Conolly testify that when he was asked — when he asked Mr. Gilliam why did you struggle or flee or try to run away, his answer was: Instinct. You may not remember this, but after Detective Ryan's testimony, a stipulation was read to you, ladies and gentlemen, that my client was on post-release supervision from the State of Maryland, a conviction totally unrelated to this case. He was not allowed to leave Maryland without authorization, and in fact he did not have authorization. So I suggest to you his instinct in struggling, which was wrong, was because he knew he was in violation of the conditions of his release.

So at some point I think this afternoon, after

Ms. Greenberg addresses you again and after Judge Griesa gives instructions, the ball is going to be in your court, and you're going to have to decide the only question in the case: Has the government proved Jabar Gilliam guilty beyond a reasonable doubt? And I suggest to you that they have not, and that you should find him not guilty of both counts in the indictment.

Thank you.

THE COURT: All right. Does the government have a rebuttal?

MS. GREENBERG: Yes, your Honor.

Ladies and gentlemen, Mr. Stein is a very good lawyer, and he worked hard up there just now to defend his client, as any good lawyer should. But I submit to you that you just heard from Mr. Stein was nothing more than a diversion. It was a distraction from the overwhelming evidence that you have heard in this case.

Let's walk through it once again. You know that the defendant is a pimp. He's admitted that. He pimped with adult women. You've seen the defendant's own words. You've seen them in his notebooks, you have seen them in his play book, his rules for prostitutes, his code for how to go about prostituting women. You have seen word like kill her spirit, make her feel worthless. You know the defendant's code from his own words.

You don't just have his word, though, you also have

physical evidence: The condoms, the lubricant that was found in the defendant's backpack in the apartment where he was prostituting the victim, and also the condoms and the lubricants that were found on the victim herself. All the information from his phone, the sexual photographs, the text messages, all of these things show you what his intent was. You had testimony from law enforcement. You have phone records, phone records which place the victim in certain places with the defendant, with the defendant's mother. You have his lies to law enforcement after he was caught.

Now the defense has no burden, that's correct. The government has the burden to prove its case beyond a reasonable doubt, and we embrace that burden. And that's why we get a chance to rebut and why we get a chance to speak last. But the defendant has made some arguments when he's cross-examined witnesses, and he's made arguments here to you today. So it's fair to look and examine those arguments and see if they hold any water.

So what is he trying to distract you with? Let's talk first about the victim's prior prostitution. Of course she was a prostitute before. If she weren't a prostitute when he found her, we wouldn't be here today. She told him that she was a prostitute. And we know the reasons why she was a prostitute. Because she had been a victim of abuse, of molestation. She has a mental condition with bipolar. You heard this before.

He knew that she was vulnerable. She was vulnerable to the defendant. The defendant was going to follow his code to the letter to enlist her to work for him. Now that's why. Her vulnerabilities, that's why he chose her. And the tricks in his play book, that's what he used to control her and to get her to work for him.

Now the defense counsel also points to the victim's prostitution after this incident when she ran away from the shelter. Ladies and gentlemen, do not reward the defendant for being a successful predator. He found a vulnerable minor victim who was 16 years old and he exploited her. She was in high school, not even at her senior prom yet. You cannot reward a predator for being successful in training a minor to do the wrong thing. She was in New York, and she left the shelter to do what he had told her to do, what his code book showed her to do. Don't reward him for that.

Why is the defense trying to distract you from the evidence? They're trying to distract you from the evidence because the evidence clearly shows the defendant is guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. Don't forget about the photographs, the text messages, the condoms that were found, his own admissions.

This evidence is overwhelming and it shows you that he is guilty of both counts. This is not a close case, not at all. It's a serious one, but it's not close. There are

multiple layers of evidence. Defense counsel asks you if you can rely -- if you would rely on the defendant's own words. We submit to you that yes, you could prove the defendant is guilty --

THE COURT: You mean victim's own words.

MS. GREENBERG: Pardon me, could you rely on victim's own words? We submit, yes, you can. She was clear with details. She told you where things happened, why they happened. She walked you through it. But putting that aside, you're not being asked here today to just look at her own words, because there is so much more here, there is evidence here that corroborates what she is saying. Physical evidence. The defendant's own words. Please don't forget about that. This is not just a: He said, she said. We have a lot of evidence here that corroborates the victim. It's consistent and it make sense. It establishes every element of the crime beyond a reasonable doubt.

Now Mr. Stein focused a large part of his closing statement into focusing on places where he felt that the victim's statements were unsupported or contradicted. So let's talk about some of those. Let's talk first about the bruises. Jasmin told you about three incidents where she had been hurt. Two of those incidents were in Maryland, one of which she's talking about a Band-Aid, that was well before she got to New York.

So Jasmin told you she didn't have any bruises when she got to the hospital. The medical records showing that she had no bruises are consistent with Jasmin's own testimony. They're not contradictory. She didn't say she was bloodied and bruised when she got to the hospital. She told you the opposite, that she didn't have any bruises.

What she told you is once he was in New York, the defendant hit her twice. He actually choked her. So it would be completely consistent with her testimony that she wouldn't have any bruises. And that was two full days before — when she was hit in the subway station, that happened on the morning she arrived in New York. She wasn't recovered and brought to the hospital until two full days later that night. So would it make sense that she didn't have any bruises on her like she said she didn't? Sure it does. And does it comport with your common sense? Particularly every time that someone is hit, particularly if you have any pigment or color in your skin, that you would have a dark bruise? Not necessarily.

So let's talk also about the allergy to latex. Now this point Jasmin also explained to you Jasmin has an allergy to latex. And before she got — on December 2nd when she was brought to the hospital, she — before she was brought to the hospital she told one of the detectives that she had this allergy to latex and she was having an allergic reaction, and that detective gave her Benadryl. Same thing happened on

December 6, detective gave her Benadryl. It's consistent for both times that she said that she had an allergic reaction.

And let's just take a step back. What is Mr. Stein trying to show with this, that she wasn't having sex? Do you any of you honestly believe that she wasn't having sex during this trip? Of course she was. And you don't know what condoms that many people that were coming in to have sex with her had, were they latex or not. She didn't testify she knew one way or the other. You don't know. So I think that point is a non-starter. It's clear here that she was on this trip and that she was having sex with men.

Now let's talk about the drugs. So Mr. Stein submits to you that you can't believe what the victim says because her toxicology was clean, and she had mentioned the defendant had given her drugs and therefore there should have been some result in the toxicology report.

But let's think about what Jasmin actually testified to. What she said was the victim and the victim's mother -- sorry, the defendant and the defendant's mother had given her marijuana, and that she had taken just a drag of it. She said she didn't take very much of it. It's completely consistent that that wouldn't show up on a toxicology report.

And the pills. Jasmin said the defendant's mother had given her pills because she complained of having a headache.

That's what she testified to. She never said what those pills

were. The defendant's mother could have given her Tylenol, aspirin, anything for a headache. You don't know that those were narcotics. We don't know what they are. We don't know that they should have showed up on a toxicology report. We just don't know the answers to that.

Now there's a lot of talk about the lack of evidence in this case, the lack of laboratory evidence, DNA, biological evidence. As the defendant told you — defense counsel told you both in his opening and his closing this is not CSI. And again, the point about the DNA or lack thereof is a point to make you believe that she wasn't prostituting on this trip?

Ladies and gentlemen, you have seen overwhelming evidence. What was she doing with all those condoms and lubricants if she wasn't going there to have sex? Why did the defendant have so many condoms and lubricants on him? Why was he sending text messages about prostitution? He's a pimp.

And as the defendant pointed -- defense counsel pointed out, she was a prostitute. What do you think was happening on this trip? The lack of DNA evidence of going through a trash can and trying to find unused condoms -- first of all, when they got to Lisa's apartment at the time of the arrest, Special Agent Conolly told you they didn't have a search warrant to search the apartment for prostitution. What were they doing there? They were there to locate the minor victim. They didn't have a search warrant. They didn't have

authorization to conduct a search. They hadn't even interviewed her yet to know that she was being prostituted there. All they were there to do was locate the victim, which they did. Again, these comments, these focusing — this is just a distraction, a distraction from the evidence, which is clear.

Another red herring, the MetroCard. So you're to believe they weren't traveling around — you know they got to New York, but you're to believe that they weren't traveling around because we didn't try to swipe the card to find out exactly where they were? We told you that they were tracking the defendant's cell phone. They knew where he was. They knew that he was at the defendant's mother's home at 1140 Jackson Avenue in the Bronx. They tracked the phone to Lisa's apartment. Why did they have to go to the MetroCard? They tracked his cell phone.

They are also ignoring the phone records. There were phone records where the victim called Ms. Haydee, her guidance counselor. She made that call about the wee hours of the morning, 5:00, 6:00 in the morning early on that Friday. And she called Ms. Haydee from whose phone? The defendant's mother's cell phone at 6:00 in the morning. She called her guidance counselor.

Jasmin also told you that on December 2nd, the day the defendant was arrested, just hours before his arrest, she

placed a call. Where did she place that call from? She placed the call from the defendant's mother's land line at 1140

Jackson Avenue. She placed two calls to her mother. We don't need to track a MetroCard, we know where she was, she was with the defendant. She was with the defendant's mother. The phone records are clear.

Finally, one last point, defense counsel talked to you about the fact that his client didn't cause the minor victim to engage in a commercial sex act. He didn't cause her to prostitute. And he said -- I believe he said that he didn't -- the way you know he didn't cause her is he didn't use force, fraud or coercion.

Now if you remember, I told you there were two ways in which -- this is for Count One -- there are two ways in which you could look at the second element of Count One. One is:

Was force, fraud or coercion used to cause the victim to engage in prostitution? The other way of proving it is simply: Did the defendant know that Jasmin was not 18 and cause her to engage in a commercial sex act? Not with force, not with fraud, not with coercion. That's not part of that element.

Was she under 18, did he know it, or did he recklessly disregard it? So when you go back -- and the judge will instruct you on the law -- pay close attention to those instructions on the law.

And along with that point, although it's clear that

Jasmin did actually prostitute in New York, ladies and gentlemen, when you listen to the judge's instructions on the law, the government doesn't actually have to prove that Jasmin had sex with anyone. Remember, the charge was: Did he knowingly transport her — for Count Two, did he knowingly transport her for the purpose of prostitution? And for the second, for the Count One: Did he knowingly transport her or cause her to do so?

In conclusion, I would say to you use your common sense, focus on the judge's instructions on the law, and if you do those things, you will find that the defendant is guilty on both counts. Thank you.

THE COURT: I'm going to go right into my instructions for you, which will not be lengthy, and it will be possible, I know, to conclude those before your lunch so that you'll have the maximum amount of time to deliberate. I would like for my law clerk pass you a sheet which I will describe to you in a minute after you have that sheet.

Does everybody in the jury box have one of these sheets?

Put those down for the moment. We'll come back to them, and I will give you some instructions on some other matters before we get to that sheet.

Now I want to start by reminding you what I said when you were being selected and I defined to you what it meant to

be a fair and impartial juror. A fair and impartial juror is someone who is willing to recognize that the case has to be decided solely on the basis of the evidence, and, of course, instructions on the law that I give to you. But I am emphasizing the evidence because that's what you have heard and seen and that's what the trial has really been about. And so it is very important that you make the decision solely on the basis of the evidence, not on some bias or preconceived notion or emotional reaction or anything like that. That's what is meant by a fair and impartial juror. That's what it is, it's your sworn duty to decide the case in that fashion.

Now you as the jury and I as the judge have different roles in this case, obviously. It's been my responsibility to preside at the trial, and occasionally there have been issues come up which required the application of the rules of evidence. And you heard once in a while an objection, and I ruled on the objection and that kind of thing. But you and you alone decide the case. You and you alone consider what evidence you consider to be credible. You decide what conclusions are to be drawn from the evidence, and you and you alone render the verdict in accordance with the issues put to you.

It is not my decision. It is not my burden. And just as I know you have no intention to intentionally disregard what I am about to instruct you about, I want you to understand I

have no intention at all of treading on your responsibility.

Nothing that I have said at the trial, nothing that I say now is intended to signal you or indicate to you in any degree what your verdict should be. It's your verdict and not my verdict.

Now I want to come to something which is very, very important, and that's what we call the burden of proof. As you have heard, and as I said at the beginning of the trial when you were being chosen, the defendant has pleaded not guilty. And that means that in order to obtain a conviction or a guilty verdict, the government must prove the defendant's guilt on the particular count you're considering by proof beyond a reasonable doubt.

Now there's another very closely related aspect to that, and that is this, it's called a presumption of innocence. A defendant who pleads not guilty is presumed innocent, he's presumed innocent at the beginning of the trial, he's presumed innocent during the trial, and he still is presumed innocent until and unless you find on the particular count you're considering that the government has proved its case by proof beyond a reasonable doubt.

Now what do we mean by proof beyond a reasonable doubt? Well, they're pretty good words, they probably don't need much definition, but here's a little definition. Perhaps the key word is "reasonable." And let's talk about what a reasonable doubt would be. It would be a doubt that would

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appeal to your good judgment, your common sense. It's a doubt that you would have after considering the evidence or if you consider there's a lack of evidence, after you consider that. It's a reasonable doubt we're talking about. That is in contrast to mere speculation, guesswork, a desire to avoid an unpleasant duty or something like that. We're talking about proof beyond a reasonable doubt, a doubt which arises, if it does arise, after a consideration of evidence, a doubt which would appeal to your reason, not to your emotion or to your likes or dislikes.

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Now let me say this, if you find that the government has proved its case on the count you're considering to an extent that you would be willing to act on matters of importance in your own lives in accordance with that proof, that kind of proof, then you will say you have no reasonable doubt and then it is your duty to convict. If, however, you find after considering the record here that you have the kind of doubt which would cause you to hesitate in acting on important matters in your own lives, then you will say that you have a reasonable doubt, and in that event it is your duty to acquit or find a verdict of not guilty.

When we say proof beyond a reasonable doubt we're not talking about proof to an absolute certainty. It is not a mathematician's work table, it's not the inside of a computer or something like that. This is a trial, and the evidence

before you is the kind of evidence that you have heard. So it is not required that the government prove its case to an absolute certainty or beyond all possible doubt. I go back to the rule we have, and that is the government must prove its case beyond a reasonable doubt. And that's the extent of the government's proof and that's it.

Now I would like you to take up the sheets that you have. In every criminal case tried in court, the prosecutor must prove certain elements, and these elements are defined according to the law. And I have given you this sheet because I believe, although I will certainly tell you about the elements, it might not be the easiest thing in the world to remember them, so I am giving you this sheet as an aid to your memory.

But I want to start by reading the elements that relate to Count One. In order to find the defendant guilty on Count One, you must find that the government has proved each of the following elements by proof beyond a reasonable doubt:

One, that the defendant knowingly harbored or transported Jasmin;

Two, that the defendant knew that force, fraud, or coercion or any combination of such means would be used to cause Jasmin to engage in a commercial sex act;

Three, that the defendant's acts were in or were affecting interstate commerce.

Now as you have been told, the government charges two alternative types of criminal acts in connection with Count One. This is pursuant to this statute. The statute passed by Congress makes it a crime under this particular provision to do one kind of act or another kind of act closely related, obviously, but somewhat different. And I'm going to go on and read to you and you will follow along with me the alternative charge regarding Count One. And again I say this is presented to you pursuant to the statute that is relevant.

Now the alternative charge is as follows -- or I'm going to read to you the elements that you must find in order to find guilt on that alternative charge. In order to find the defendant guilty on Count One, you must find on this alternative charge, you must find that the government has proved each of the following elements by proof beyond a reasonable doubt:

One, that the defendant knowingly harbored or transported Jasmin;

Two, that the defendant knew or recklessly disregarded the fact that Jasmin had not attained the age of 18 years and would be caused to engage in a commercial sex act;

Three, that the defendant's acts were in or were affecting interstate commerce.

Now I want to talk to you about the first alternative which you find at the top of the page and see if there's

anything there that needs defining. That first element that must be proven is that the defendant knowingly harbored or transported Jasmin. "Transported" certainly does not need any definition. "Harbored" could be keeping in a person's dwelling or a related dwelling, that kind of thing. Harboring. I don't even think that needs that much definition.

Now I want to talk about the second element.

Generally a criminal statute makes it a crime to do something and to do it knowingly. But as I say, generally a criminal statute makes it a crime to do something. And there must be a criminal state of mind, and it's almost always knowingly, and so it is usually a crime to do something knowingly.

Congress phrased the statute here in a somewhat broader fashion. And I think that Congress wanted to make it a crime not only to do something knowingly, but to be guilty of a crime if the person knew that a certain type of criminal activity was going on or would take place. So Congress broadened out the definition of the criminal act beyond what is usual, but still embraced within that somewhat broader definition would be doing something knowingly.

What I'm talking about is that second element, and I will read it to you again: That the defendant knew that force, fraud or coercion or any combination of such means would be used to cause Jasmin to engage in a commercial sex act.

Let me read it again, it's a mouthful. That the

defendant knew that force, fraud, or coercion or any combination of such means would be used to cause Jasmin to engage in a commercial sex act.

Now under the statute, a defendant can be guilty of violation here if he knew that somebody else was causing the victim to engage in a commercial sex act. Here the government charges that the defendant himself used those means to cause Jasmin to engage in a commercial he sex act and did so knowingly. And, of course, that would be within the meaning of the statute even as somewhat broadly drawn here.

Now is there anything here that needs definition? A few things do.

"Force" means force. I'm not going to have to define that.

"Fraud" means and includes making a promise that someone knows will not be kept, making a promise to induce somebody to do something which the person knows will not be kept.

"Coercion" means any threat of serious harm or threat of physical restraint. But again, coercion — these are pretty plain meaning words, but I added that little definition of coercion because that's in the statute.

"Commercial sex act" of course includes prostitution.

Now let's go down to the third -- these statutes are passed pursuant -- the statute involved in Count One and the

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statute involved in Count Two, these are -- I'm sorry. I didn't say this right. Yes, I did.

The statutes involved here are passed pursuant to the commerce clause of the Constitution, and that's why there is reference to the interstate commerce. Interstate commerce here is simply transporting someone or carrying someone or something across a state line, state lines.

Now let's come to the alternative. I'll read it again. In order to find the defendant guilty on Count One, you must find — in this alternative, you must find the government has proven each of the following elements by proof beyond a reasonable doubt:

One, that the defendant knowingly harbored or transported Jasmin;

Two, that the defendant knew or recklessly disregarded the fact that Jasmin had not attained the age of 18 years and would be caused to engage in a commercial sex act;

Three, that the defendant's sex acts were in or affecting interstate commerce.

Now we already talked about harbored or transported.

Now here in the second element, as it says, in order to convict you must find that the defendant knew or recklessly disregarded the fact that Jasmin had not attained the age of 18 years and would be caused to engage in a commercial sex act.

There is this concept there of recklessly disregarding

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something. Under the criminal law, the criminal state of mind certainly can exist if someone knows that a criminal act is being committed, but also here where you've got the issue of knowledge of age, Congress has put in as an alternative reckless disregard. Reckless disregard is just simply shutting your eyes to something which — if you're deliberately shutting your eyes to some circumstance, to some situation where the fact would be obvious if someone did not deliberately shut it out.

You have this concept of causing Jasmin to engage in a commercial sex act. That concept is both in the first alternative up at the top of the page and here. And I don't think there's anything to really define about cause. "Cause" means cause.

But I want to say, however, that the elements that are stated here, if the defendant did what is charged, and if the government has proved these elements, it is no defense that Jasmin had engaged previously in prostitution or engaged in prostitution after the defendant was arrested. In other words, if someone takes a hardened prostitute and by force transports her and causes her to engage in more prostitution, that is a crime in violation of the statute. Now the issue about her prior prostitution is certainly something you will consider on the issues of credibility and so forth, but I just want to make it clear that her other prostitution is not in and of itself a

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defense. In other words, if the acts are proven that are listed here, then there's guilt regardless of that circumstance if those things are proven.

Now you'll receive -- maybe I should have given this to you before, but you will receive a verdict form for you to fill out, and it will ask you whether you find the defendant guilty or not guilty on Count One.

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THE COURT: Now, in order to find a verdict of guilty on Count 1, you must find the government has proven at least one of the alternatives — at least one of the alternatives.

The government contends they have proved both, but you must find that the government has proven at least one of the alternatives, the one at the top of the page and the one I have labeled "alternative."

If you are finding only one, you must be unanimous on that one. You cannot have a verdict of guilty on Count 1 if six of you find that the government proved the first alternative and six of you find that the government has proved the second alternative. If you find only one, you must be unanimous on that one. Now, if you find that the government has proven both, then you find that the government has proven both.

You will be asked in the verdict form, first of all, whether you find the defendant guilty on Count 1, and you will be asked which of the alternatives or both, whether you find one alternative or another alternative or both alternatives.

You will be asked to specify that.

So we know the grounds for your verdict, if you find a verdict of guilty.

Now, let's come to Count 2. Count 2 is under another statute, again, passed pursuant to the Commerce Clause of the Constitution. And I will read the elements that have to be

1 proven.

Count 2. In order to find the defendant guilty on Count 2, you must find that the government has proved each of the following elements by proof beyond a reasonable doubt:

- 1. That the defendant knowingly transported Jasmin in interstate commerce;
- 2. That the defendant did this with the intent that Jasmin would engage in prostitution;
- 3. That Jasmin was less than 18 years old at this time.

So this is, really, what I think we might call the transportation count. And the elements, I don't think need much definition, except that I should tell you that, for the sake of this count, even if Jasmin consented to be transported, that would not be a defense, if the defendant knowingly transported Jasmin and if he did this with intent that Jasmin would engage in prostitution.

Also, the government does not have to prove that the defendant knew Jasmin was less than 18 years old. On this Count 2, all the government has to prove is that she was in fact less than 18 years old at the time.

So if you keep hold of this list of elements and you follow this carefully, you will be obeying the law, and you will be complying with the instructions that are given you.

Now, certain other things need to be discussed with

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1 you.

First of all, it is perfectly fair to argue that certain investigative techniques were not used and, therefore, the government has not met its burden of proof, but there is no legal requirement that particular investigative techniques be used, and there is no legal requirement that the government prove any particular set of investigative techniques.

The issue for you is whether the proof that is before you does or does not prove the government's case by proof beyond a reasonable doubt. If you find that the government has proved its case by proof beyond a reasonable doubt by virtue of the evidence that is before you, then that is the basis for finding a verdict of guilty, even though the government or the police or the FBI did not use particular investigative techniques. So the issue goes back to the issue which has been specified to you over and over, has the government proven its case by proof beyond a reasonable doubt.

I hope I said this before, but if I didn't, I want to say it. The defendant has no burden of proof. The entire burden of proof is on the government. And I think that is consistent with everything I have said to you, but I wanted to make sure that I had given you that specific instruction.

Now, let me talk about the issue of credibility. How do you determine credibility?

Well, you've heard the witnesses. You have seen the

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witnesses. And it is a matter of good judgment, common sense. Probably you don't realize it, but you encounter issues of credibility in your lives and in your businesses.

Is somebody telling you the truth or aren't they?

Is somebody exaggerating or aren't they?

Is somebody holding something back?

A courtroom is a different arena, but the same kind of judgment applies.

Now, how does a witness impress you? Does the witness impress you as basically telling the truth to the best of their ability or otherwise? And there's not a lot more to be said.

There are certain law enforcement officers who testified and their testimony needs to be judged as to credibility to the same degree that any other testimony would be judged.

It can happen that there are contradictions between what a witness says one time in court and another time in court. There can be that there are contradictions between what a witness testifies in court and between a record and a statement. And those matters, of course, can be considered by you on the issue of credibility. But the question is, is the contradiction so fundamental as to undermine all of the testimony or is it a matter that is not so fundamental?

You are free, according to your judgment, to credit all the testimony of a witness, reject all of the testimony of

a witness or credit parts of the testimony that you believe are useful and credible to you and reject parts. That is all up to you.

The defendant did not testify. Under our

Constitution, he had a right to go through this trial and not testify. And in order to give that important constitutional right full effect, I am instructing you that when you are deliberating, you are to draw no adverse inference against the defendant because of the fact that he did not testify.

Now, I am ready to conclude.

When you go into the jury room, you will be deliberating. You will obviously voice your own views on the issues and as to the evidence, and you will listen considerately to the views of your fellow jurors. And by that process, I am sure you will come to the verdicts in the case.

Any verdict of guilty or not guilty must be the unanimous decision of all 12 jurors. Any answer to any specific question -- and there will be two of those on the form -- must be the unanimous verdict of all 12 jurors.

Now, if you find that the government has proved its case by proof beyond a reasonable doubt on the particular count you are considering, then it is your duty to return a verdict of guilty and nothing should dissuade you from performing that duty. If on the other hand, you find that the government has not proved its case by proof beyond a reasonable doubt on the

count you are considering, then it is your duty to find a verdict of not guilty and nothing should dissuade you from performing that duty.

Do not in any way let any consideration of possible sentence enter into your deliberation or your consideration.

The issues before you are exactly what I have specified. If this is a conviction, the issue of sentence will involve considerations which are not in any way before you. So under no circumstances consider or discuss or deliberate about a possible sentence. That issue is simply not before you.

When you have reached your decision or decisions, then please send the form out. You will have the verdict form.

Send it out so that it comes to me, and then we will assemble in open court and the jury will announce the verdict in open court.

Juror Number 1 will be your foreman, unless you decline to serve, and if that is the case, then the jury will elect another member as foreman or forelady.

There will be a United States marshal at the jury room door to protect your privacy and also to convey any messages to the Court, including conveying your final verdict, your final decision.

If you have questions, if you need to have anything in the way of the evidence repeated to you, there's a record of all the testimony. And if you have questions about something

you want repeated, the foreman or forelady should write a note specifying those questions, and we can either furnish you the transcript or have the testimony reread to you in court, whichever is most expeditious.

As far as my instructions to you, if there is anything that is unclear or anything you want repeated, do not hesitate for a minute to send out a note asking what it is that is of concern to you because I will do my best to clear any issues up for you.

Right now, I am going to ask you to retire. I want to see if the lawyers have any suggestions about my instructions that would necessitate some amendment, and please do not start deliberating until you have been told that we are finished, but we are not quite finished until I hear from the lawyers. So if you will retire now, and I will call you back in a very few minutes.

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1 (Jury not present) THE COURT: Any exceptions from the government? 2 3 MS. LAMARQUE: Yes, your Honor. 4 First, I do think that they need to be charged on 5 venue, although I think it is obvious in this case. THE COURT: Is venue an issue? 6 7 MS. LAMARQUE: It is an issue insofar as it was not conceded by the defendant. I do think that they need to be 8 9 made aware that they have to find venue on each count by a 10 preponderance. 11 THE COURT: I will give an instruction on venue if anyone wants an instruction on venue. 12 13 MS. LAMARQUE: Yes. I think it would be appropriate. 14 The other instruction would be, nothing was mentioned, 15 your Honor, about the time of the offense because there was no narrative about when we allege the offenses took place. 16 17 THE COURT: What needs to be said about time? 18 MS. LAMARQUE: Just that we allege that the offenses 19 took place --20 THE COURT: They don't even have the indictment. 21 MS. LAMARQUE: I understand that, your Honor. 22 THE COURT: I don't see anything to be said about 23 time. 24 MS. LAMARQUE: All right, your Honor.

THE COURT: Anything else?

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1 MS. LAMARQUE: Two more points.

One is, we just want to note our objection for the record. In terms of the alternative basis for the sex trafficking charge, Count 1, the government just objects to the instruction that they have to be unanimous on which method that they choose in order to find him guilty. The statute lists both alternatives with an "or" in the disjunctive, and you instructed them that they have to be unanimous in order to find him guilty, so we just lodge our objection to that. I understand the Court disagrees with that perspective. My understanding from the charge conference —

THE COURT: I don't think we discussed it. I'm sorry we didn't. I will not tell them. They have to be unanimous on a crime, period.

MS. LAMARQUE: Your Honor, I don't want to frustrate you. All I am saying is, to find him guilty of Count 1, they do not, as a matter of the statutory language, have to be unanimous concerning the age prong or the fraud prong, as long as they find one. The statute states --

THE COURT: The statute does not talk about unanimity.

MS. LAMARQUE: I understand that, but it says "or," it says "either or."

THE COURT: I note your objection.

MS. LAMARQUE: Thank you.

The next point is, just to preserve the record, I do

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think some sort of limiting instruction on similar act evidence is warranted in this case. There is a lot of evidence that came in about Toni, that doesn't go directly to the charges, vis-a-vis Jasmin as alleged in the indictment. I just think to preserve the record, there should be some instruction on similar act evidence.

THE COURT: What instruction would you recommend?

MS. LAMARQUE: On page 51.

THE COURT: Let's look at that.

MS. LAMARQUE: It doesn't have to be as verbose as this, your Honor, I think that just some mention of the first full paragraph: Let me remind you that the defendant is not on trial, is only on trial for the acts alleged in the indictment. You may not consider similar acts as a substitute for proof that, if any committed, the crime charge nor may you consider as evidence proof that a defendant has a criminal personality or bad character. The evidence of other similar acts was admitted for the limited purpose and you may only consider it for that limited purpose.

I think that is sufficient, your Honor, that second full paragraph. I just want that in their mind at one point. During the case, they were not instructed when the evidence came in on this point and usually there is some limiting instruction given when such evidence comes in.

THE COURT: Well, I don't particularly mind reading

l it.

MS. LAMARQUE: I think that you can change it to make it more understandable.

THE COURT: The point is, they have been instructed very thoroughly on what is necessary to be proven for conviction here, and neither your summation nor Mr. Stein's made any suggestion that what was involved in the charges here had anything to do with Toni or the mother, except as really relevant to this case. And this case has been defined for them.

MS. LAMARQUE: I agree, your Honor.

THE COURT: You are asking me to read a lot of language which to me is quite irrelevant because you want to have a record. Well, OK, I'll do it, but all you are doing really is injecting something that may cause a little confusion -- probably won't -- but that's your problem.

MS. LAMARQUE: Your Honor, if the defense is willing to waive, they state that they don't want that to be read to the jury, then I am happy not to have it read.

THE COURT: Do you have any view.

MR. STEIN: Yes, Judge. I think that this particular point is the classic dancing on the head of a pin argument. I told the jury in my opening statement. I said it in my summation, I even called my client a pimp, that he was involved with adult women.

THE COURT: Do you want this paragraph read?

MR. STEIN: I think it is irrelevant, Judge.

THE COURT: I won't read it.

MS. LAMARQUE: No problem.

THE COURT: Exceptions from the defense?

MR. STEIN: Yes, Judge.

In the government's request to charge which I think I would join in this and I believe that you did not refer to this, and I talked about this somewhat in my summation, sympathy should not enter into their deliberations, sympathy for Jasmin, sympathy in any respect.

THE COURT: A very good point.

MS. LAMARQUE: Your Honor, I think you explicitly mentioned that when you first started charging them. I literally wrote it down. Focus on the evidence and the law, sympathy is not to --

THE COURT: I think Mr. Stein has a good point.

MR. STEIN: Judge, of much more substance, I was very troubled by your instructions concerning the words "cause" or "caused" which I had argued about in the charge conference yesterday. What I particularly object to is your instruction to the jury that Jasmin's being a prostitute before she met my client or afterwards when Jasmin left the shelter and my client was already in custody and went to some location and had sexual relations with some men, you told the jury that that is not a

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defense and they should consider it only for credibility. It strongly disagree with that because, putting this in the context of what was testified to here, that Jasmin --

THE COURT: I think I agree with you. Here's my point. To be frank with you, the summations put that issue in a somewhat awkward posture. The government in its opening summation never referred to her prior prostitution or other prostitution, astoundingly. Now, of course, Mr. Stein did in perfectly proper ways. And, of course, there was some mention in the rebuttal from the government.

What I was intending to say is -- and I think it was correct, and I'm talking about one issue which I stated and this is the only issue I really raised -- I thought that it could confuse the jury, particularly the fact that the government didn't even discuss it in the opening summation and deal with it. I thought the jury might think, well, there is a defense -- as a defense, that she was a prostitute, and I wanted to eliminate that possible confusion.

I will get back to you, but I think what you are saying is, her activities as a prostitute are relevant to the question of whether the defendant did the things with which he is charged.

MR. STEIN: That is not quite.

THE COURT: Well, you state it.

MR. STEIN: What I believe you said, which is the

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problem, is that it is not a defense and they should consider it only for credibility, that is, her prior prostitution and here subsequent prostitution.

My point --

THE COURT: What is your point?

MR. STEIN: My point is that the jury is entitled to consider her prior and subsequent prostitution on the question of whether my client caused her to commit prostitution during the period of time of December 1st and December 2nd. And Jasmin even testified, when she doesn't have her medication, she acts impulsively and there is testimony here that she hadn't taken her medication.

THE COURT: I think you are right, and I will give an instruction now exactly in terms of what you said.

MR. STEIN: Thank you, Judge.

MS. LAMARQUE: Your Honor, we object.

What you said to the jury was, if you find the elements of the crime and you specifically stated, they need to find the elements of the crime, then it is no defense that Jasmin previously engaged in prostitution.

THE COURT: See, I went on and said it is only relevant on the question of credibility and that is too narrow.

MS. LAMARQUE: Here is my problem, your Honor. Now you are going to give a specific instruction on this point and this point alone, giving it a level of import that is improper,

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especially after you have already instructed the jury on the particular elements of the crime. To highlight that now and to be quite frank, to say that they are allowed to consider it on whether the defendant caused her to engage specifically is challenging the actual element and how they are assessing the element.

THE COURT: No, it isn't.

MS. LAMARQUE: Your Honor, giving the instruction in this particular manner is more prejudicial and confusing and will lead to more of the concern that I am assuming you had when you crafted this language --

THE COURT: Crafted what language?

MS. LAMARQUE: When you instructed them about the prior prostitution and post prostitution. I am assuming there was a concern about confusion and how that should be assessed.

THE COURT: I think I created some confusion of my own. That's the problem.

I want to say this. That is not a small issue here. Her prior prostitution and the prostitution she engaged in after the arrest of the defendant, that is not a small issue here, and it should have been addressed in the main summation by the government and then it would have been really addressed.

And then, of course, Mr. Stein stands up and argues properly -- he argued perfectly properly -- and you had something to say in the rebuttal, but this should have been

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really dealt with from the very beginning in the summations.

And I think Mr. Stein is right, part of what I said is correct. Part of what I said is incorrect. It is not only relevant on the issue of credibility, and I am going to correct it.

MS. LAMARQUE: How are you going to correct it, your Honor?

THE COURT: I will say they can consider the evidence about her earlier prostitution and her prostitution after the arrest of the defendant. They can consider it on the issue of whether the defendant, through his acts, caused her to — whatever that language is —

MR. STEIN: -- engage in prostitution.

MS. LAMARQUE: -- engage in a commercial sex act.

THE COURT: -- engage in prostitution.

I am not attempting to emphasize or take out of context one particular part of the evidence. They will consider all of the evidence. And I go back to the fact that if they believe that the defendant did, through his acts, cause her then to engage — it is not a defense in and of itself that she had engaged in prostitution.

MS. LAMARQUE: If you are going to strike that balance, your Honor, where you say then it is not a defense after you make that statement then --

THE COURT: I think I have to do something.

MS. LAMARQUE: If you are going to strike that balance, that is preferred to making --THE COURT: Anything else, Mr. Stein? MR. STEIN: Judge, you are going to say, in substance, so that we are clear about this -- I am paraphrasing --although it may not be a defense, you can consider the prior and subsequent prostitution by Jasmin on the question of whether or not my client caused her to engage in prostitution? THE COURT: That's right. MR. STEIN: Thank you. THE COURT: Let's bring the jury back. (Continued on next page)

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(Jury present)

THE COURT: A couple of additional points.

Something in the law called venue, prosecution must relate to acts committed at least whole or in part within this judicial district. This judicial district includes the Bronx. And so you don't have to make a specific finding, but if you find criminal acts committed, you must find that they were committed within this judicial district, and this judicial district includes the Bronx.

Now, a couple of other points.

I spoke in a general way about the verdict not being based on sympathy, and I just want to repeat that. As far as the evidence is concerned, obviously, the issue about the testimony of anyone is not whether you sympathize or not sympathize, it is whether you credit the testimony or don't credit the testimony as to the facts.

Now, you heard evidence and you heard some discussion in the summations about the fact that Jasmin had engaged in prostitution at times before she met the defendant and engaged in some prostitution after the defendant was arrested.

Now, I just want to correct something. I am not trying to single out some piece of proof and so forth to give it any kind of highlighting or emphasis, but I wanted to make sure I didn't give you some incorrect instruction earlier.

You are entitled to consider the evidence about

prostitution prior and prostitution after. And you know what I am talking about, on the question of whether the defendant caused her to engage in prostitution. However, the mere fact that she had engaged and subsequently engaged in additional prostitution is not in and of itself a defense. It can be considered by you on the issue of causation, but it is not in and of itself a defense.

What I am trying to get at and make clear is that -and I said this earlier -- if someone takes a hardened
prostitute and commits the acts that are charged here and
violates the law, then it is not a defense that the person was
a hardened prostitute. In other words, it is perfectly
possible and the law recognized that a prostitute can be taken
and compelled to engage in additional prostitution and caused
to do that.

So the issue here is, you can consider prostitution on the issue of causation, but if you find that there was causation, then her prior and subsequent prosecution is not a defense.

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I will excuse the alternate.

Thank you very much. If you could let Mr. Beale know your whereabouts, and we will swear the marshal.

(Marshal sworn)

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1	THE COURT: Do you all have verdict forms?
2	JURORS: No, we don't.
3	THE COURT: As they are going out, let's give them
4	verdict forms.
5	And go to your deliberations, please.
6	(At 1:10 p.m., the jury retired to commence their
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(Time noted: 2:30 p.m., jury present)

THE COURT: Has the jury reached its decisions?

THE FOREPERSON: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Would you stand.

And the deputy clerk will call out the questions and please read the answer.

THE DEPUTY CLERK: In the case of United States of America v. Jabar Gilliam, S1 11 CR 1083 (TPG), Count 1, sex trafficking?

THE FOREPERSON: Guilty.

THE DEPUTY CLERK: If you find the defendant guilty, please answer the following two question:

1. Do you find, unanimously, that the offense was effected by means of force, threats of force, fraud or coercion, or by any combination of such means?

THE FOREPERSON: Yes.

THE DEPUTY CLERK: 2. Do you find, unanimously, that the person that was harbored or transported, and caused to engage in a sex act, Jasmin, was over 14 years old but under the age of 18?

THE FOREPERSON: Yes.

THE COURT: Count 2, transportation of a minor to engage in prostitution?

THE FOREPERSON: Guilty.

1 THE DEPUTY CLERK: Thank you. 2 You may be seated. 3 THE COURT: Would the defendant like to have the jury 4 polled? 5 MR. STEIN: He would. 6 THE DEPUTY CLERK: Members of the jury, listen to your 7 verdict as it now stands recorded in the case of United States of America v. Jabar Gilliam, S1 11 CR 1083(TPG): 8 9 Count 1, sex trafficking? 10 Guilty. 11 1. Do you find, unanimously, that the offense was 12 effected by means of force, threats of force, fraud or 13 coercion, or by any combination of such means? 14 Yes. 15 2. Do you find, unanimously, that the person that was harbored or transported, and caused to engage in a sex act, 16 17 Jasmin, was over 14 years old but under the age of 18? 18 Yes. 19 Count 2, transportation of a minor to engage in 20 prostitution? 21 Guilty. 22 (Jury polled; each juror answered in the affirmative) 23 THE DEPUTY CLERK: Jury polled, verdict unanimous. 24 THE COURT: Thank you very much for your service. 25 You were prompt. You were attentive.

Your verdict is amply supported by the evidence, and thank you for doing your duty so well.

You are now excused from the case.

(Jury discharged)

THE COURT: Let me just say, that I want to compliment the lawyers on both sides.

I made some comment about the summation, that was just a matter of what priority you gave what subject.

And I want to particularly address the defense because there's been some comment by the defendant.

That was an excellent summation. You really,

Mr. Stein, did all you could with what was available, and it

was very, very good. The evidence is something that you can't

create, but with what there was to deal with, it was excellent.

Now, what do we need to do?

Do we have a sentencing?

MR. STEIN: Judge, I have an application.

THE COURT: Please.

MR. STEIN: I am sure it has been obvious to the Court and especially during the proceedings when the prosecution was not present, that my client and I have had a lot of difficulties, to say the least. And, frankly, I don't think it would be right if I were to proceed further as Mr. Gilliam's counsel, so I am requesting to be relieved. I am guessing that he would join in this request. I think that he should have a

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new face representing him for purposes of sentencing and after
that. I just don't think this is a good situation at all. I
don't make this application, lightly. Frankly, I am rather
uncomfortable doing it, but I am very comfortable with the fact
that it is the right thing to do.

THE COURT: What was the last thing you said?

MR. STEIN: I said I am not very comfortable making this application. I have been a lawyer for a while, and I don't like doing that, but I think, under the circumstances, it is the right thing to do.

THE COURT: Obviously, to say the least, I am going to take your application very seriously, but does the government — do you either recall or do you have some record close at hand of how many lawyers there were for the defense through the history of this case?

MS. GREENBERG: Your Honor, just one prior to Mr. Stein, and that was Mr. Gombiner of the Federal Defenders.

THE COURT: I had remembered more, but I think Mr. Gombiner actually requested to be relieved?

MS. GREENBERG: I believe that's correct. Mr. Gombiner was also working with a colleague, Mr. Statsinger, from Federal Defenders as well.

THE COURT: Were they working together on this case?

MS. GREENBERG: They were.

THE DEFENDANT: Your Honor, he was assisting. He

wasn't my attorney. Mr. Gombiner was my attorney. I had one attorney.

THE COURT: Well, I had remembered things a little differently.

In any event, I certainly take your word, Mr. Stein, that you have had difficulties and they were manifested a little bit in court, probably not as much as existed in the work and preparation and so forth.

The only reason I am sitting here hesitating is, you did a whale of a good job on this case and somehow -- I mean Mr. Gombiner, who is a very fine lawyer, he really couldn't get along well enough with your client to carry the case to trial, and you managed to do that, which is greatly to your credit.

To have somebody else come in and go through the same thing that you and Mr. Gombiner went through — I guess it has to be done. But I would like to say, Mr. Stein, I am ultimately going to grant your request, but I want to have a new lawyer selected in a way that needs to be done, and I want to have a conference where you are both there. I think the new lawyer should know the full story, and I am sure there can be a new lawyer. There can be a new lawyer, but I would ask you to stay in just for the moment until we get this thing settled, OK?

MR. STEIN: That's fine, Judge.

THE COURT: We need to set a sentence date.

C9PUGIL5 THE DEPUTY CLERK: The sentence date shall be Thursday, January 3rd at 4:30. THE DEFENDANT: Your Honor, one thing, please. Mr. Stein, I do give him credit in becoming my lawyer after Mr. Gombiner, but I had several issues that I brought to your attention. THE COURT: The trial is over with. The jury has rendered a verdict and we are going to recess. Thank you very much. 0 0

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